

**Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee Meeting**

**National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland  
Building 31, Conference Room 6C10**

**May 11, 2004**

**AGENDA**

**8:30 – 9:00 Continental Breakfast**

**9:00 – 9:15 Introductions, Overview & Highlights of Recent Activities**

Thomas Insel, M.D., Director  
National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)

**9:15 – 9:40 Implementation of the Research Matrix**

Thomas Insel, M.D., NIMH

**9:40 – 9:50 Intramural Research Activities at NIH**

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**9:50 – 10:00 Data Coordination Needs in the Broad Autism Research  
Community**

Sue Swedo, M.D., NIMH

**10:00 – 10:30 Updates on Centers' Activities**

**Collaborative Programs of Excellence in Autism (CPEA)**

Jim Hanson, M.D.

Alice Kau, Ph.D.

National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)

**CDC Centers for Autism and Developmental Disabilities Research  
and Epidemiology (CADDRE)**

Introduction: Jose Cordero, M.D., M.P.H., Director, National Center on  
Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities, Centers for Disease  
Control and Prevention (CDC)

Presenter: Diana Schendel, Ph.D., National Center on Birth Defects and  
Developmental Disabilities, CDC

**10:30 – 10:45 Break**

**10:45 – 11:15 Children’s Environmental Health Centers (NIEHS)**

Cindy Lawler, Ph.D., Scientific Program Administrator, Organ and Systems Toxicology Branch, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS)

**Studies to Advance Autism Research and Treatment (STAART) Centers**

Deborah Hirtz, M.D., National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS)

**11:15 – 12:15 Science Update from CPEA network**

Introduction by Alice Kau, Ph.D., NICHD

**Disordered complex information processing in autism arising from functional underconnectivity and abnormal specialization of neural systems**

Presenters: Nancy Minshew, M.D.; Marcel Just, Ph.D.; John Sweeney, Ph.D.; University of Pittsburgh CPEA Center

**12:15 – 1:15 Lunch**

**1:15 – 2:30 Presentation: Services Research Panel**

Introduction and overview: Denise Juliano-Bult, MSW; Agnes Rupp, PhD; NIMH

Presenters: Joseph Morrissey, Ph.D., University of North Carolina Chapel Hill; David Mandell, Ph.D., University of Pennsylvania; Scott Grosse, Ph.D., CDC; Dr. Richard Roberts, Utah State University; Thomas Challman, M.D., Geisinger Medical Center

**2:30 – 2:45 Report from Services Subcommittee**

Merle McPherson, M.D., Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

**2:45 – 3:00 Break**

**3:00 – 3:35 Report from Screening Subcommittee**

Jose Cordero, M.D., CDC  
Deborah Hirtz, M.D., NINDS

**Update on the Awareness Campaign**

Jose Cordero, M.D., CDC

**3:35 – 4:05 Open Session for Public Comment**

**4:05 – 4:30 Closing Comments and Future Agenda Items**